



May 23, 2007

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 05-181
*Implementation of the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization
Act of 2004 to Amend Section 338 of the Communications Act*
Notification of *Ex Parte* Communication of DIRECTV, Inc.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Today, the undersigned on behalf of DIRECTV, Inc. ("DIRECTV"), met with Monica Desai, Rosemary Harold, Eloise Gore, and Rosalee Chiara of the Media Bureau; Robert Nelson of the International Bureau; and Susan Aaron of the Office of General Counsel. During the meeting, the parties discussed DIRECTV's pending request for an extension of time in order to come into compliance with the Commission's digital carriage requirements for satellite operators serving Alaska and Hawaii, which is a matter of record in this proceeding. In relation to that request, DIRECTV also clarified that it currently anticipates that the DIRECTV 11 satellite, which is equipped with spot beams that will retransmit digital signals originating in Alaska and Hawaii, will be launched and placed in operation by June 30, 2008.

Please direct questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/

Susan Eid
Senior Vice President